

# Fiscal Note 2017 Biennium

Bill #	HB0004		Title:	Appropriations by budget amendment	
Primary Sponsor:	Ballance, Nancy		Status: As Introduced		
☐ Significant Loc	al Gov Impact	□ Needs to be included	in HB 2	☐ Technical Concerns	
✓Included in the Executive Budget		☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts		☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached	

## FISCAL SUMMARY

	FY 2016 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2017 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2018 Difference	FY 2019 Difference
Expenditures:				
State Special Revenue	\$3,887,875	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Special Revenue	\$66,948,740	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue:				
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Special Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

**Description of fiscal impact:** In accordance with Title 17, Chapter 7, part 4, Budget Amendments are processed during the interim primarily for the receipt of unanticipated federal funds. Statute requires that Budget Amendments that continue beyond September 30 following each biennium must be approved by the legislature (in HB 4).

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **Assumptions:**

#### Office of Budget and Program Planning

1. Section 17-7-102, MCA, defines the approving authority for each state agency. These include, but are not limited to, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court for the Judicial Branch (or designee), the Board of Regents for the Montana University System (or designee), the Governor for Executive Branch agencies (or designee), etc. Regardless of the approving authority, the Office of Budget and Program Planning processes the Budget Amendment transactions on the state's accounting system.

- 2. Title 17, Chapter 7, part 4 describes a very specific set of criteria that must be adhered to in order for a Budget Amendment to be processed. In accordance with those criteria, a Budget Amendment that extends beyond September 30 following a biennium must be approved by the legislature.
- 3. As introduced, the bill includes Budget Amendment spending authority to continue currently authorized Budget Amendments to continue into the next biennium based upon the end date of each specific federal award. As of February 9, 2015 the estimated balance remaining in the appropriations listed in the bill is \$70.8 million. The table that follows breaks the balance out by state agency.

Summary of Budget Amendment Balances as of February 9, 2015

	Fund Type		
	State	Federal	
Agency	Funds	Funds	Grand Total
Dept of Agriculture		\$1,019,375	\$1,019,375
Dept of Commerce		\$2,057,000	\$2,057,000
Dept of Corrections		\$512,398	\$512,398
Dept of Environmental Quality		\$9,062,511	\$9,062,511
Dept of Fish, Wildlife & Parks		\$2,173,292	\$2,173,292
Dept of Justice	\$3,887,875	\$1,225,974	\$5,113,849
Dept of Labor & Industry		\$5,064,812	\$5,064,812
Dept of Military Affairs		\$4,229,553	\$4,229,553
Dept of Transportation		\$22,005,208	\$22,005,208
Governor's Office		\$1,106,825	\$1,106,825
Judicial Branch		\$316,908	\$316,908
MT Historical Society		\$176,740	\$176,740
Nat. Resources & Cons.		\$12,875,052	\$12,875,052
Public Health & Human Services		\$4,462,293	\$4,462,293
Secretary of State's Office		\$660,798	\$660,798
Grand Total	\$3,887,875	\$66,948,740	\$70,836,615

Sponsor's Initials	Date	Budget Director's Initials	Date